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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

(Filing No. S-87)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 159, L.D. 334, Bill, "AN ACT to Regulate the Number of Lobster Traps in Certain Waters of Kittery."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

<u>'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §6439, sub-§1</u>, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 661, §5, is amended to read:

1. West of Cape Elizabeth and east of Kittery. Westerly of a line drawn from the active lighthouse at Two Lights in Cape Elizabeth to the Hue and Cry Buoy, and northerly and easterly of a line running between the Kitts Rocks Whistle Buoy and the West Sister Buoy and extending westerly to the New Hampshire the border, and from/West Sister Buoy to the Murray Rock Buoy and thence to and through the lighthouse on Boone Island and, continuing in a straight line, to the boundary of the coastal waters within the jurisdiction of this State;

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §6439-A is enacted to read: §6439-A. Limited lobster fishing in the vicinity of Kittery

It shall be unlawful to have on a trawl more than 10

lobster traps on one warp and buoy in the coastal waters

southerly of a line running between the Kitts Rocks Whistle Buoy
and the West Sister Buoy and extending westerly to the New

Hampshire border, and from the West Sister Buoy to the Murray

Rock Buoy and thence to and through the lighthouse on Boone

Island and continuing in a straight line, to the boundary of the coastal waters within the jurisdiction of this State. Each trawl set in this area shall be marked with at least one buoy with a buoy stick of at least 4 feet in length.

Statement of Fact

This amendment clarifies the language of the bill and corrects a possible conflict with another provision.

Reported by the Committee on Marine Resources.

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